

ballet

smiling,
a dancer
twirled
on a/toe/strung/on a/
string
to
make it
go

props

straw wig
worn
by
pierrot
in per-
formance
for
louis
X-five

A

black
kitchen
with
cheese
glasses
on a tray

"tonight's events"

in the louis XIV
room
is the
banquet
for chiropractors
while
in the
small ballroom
is the dance
for supermarket
employees

hood's wife

sitting
on a
step stool
eating
milanese
cake
bread

caller

walking
on the
narrow
walk
between
the
prickly
barberry
bushes,
snuffling
old dog
trailing
him

-- Gloria Kenison

Harding, Massachusetts